Informational Hearing

Role and Mission of the California State University in Preparing California's Workforce

Tuesday, June 7, 2005 1:30 p.m. State Capitol, Room 437

Objective of the Hearing:

Consistent with the provisions of ACR 193 (Liu, Chapter 170, Statutes of 2004), this hearing will consider the role and effectiveness of the California State University (CSU) in meeting the workforce needs of California.

This hearing will focus on the goal identified in ACR 193 that CSU will take all reasonable steps to ensure the most efficient use of limited resources to accomplish all of the following:

- 1. Enrollment of eligible students;
- 2. Acceleration of student progress to a degree; and
- 3. Responsiveness to the highest state priorities.

This hearing will focus discussion on policy issues regarding CSU's role in the preparation of school teachers and nurses, efforts to improve the transfer process, and progress in improving degree completion rates.

Agenda

1:30 p.m. Background and Issues

- Role and mission of the CSU, within the California Master Plan for Higher Education
- Student enrollment trends (freshmen, transfer and graduate)
- State funding
- Policy options

Presenter:

• Dr. Steve Boilard

Director for Higher Education, Legislative Analyst's Office (LAO)

2:00 p.m. Outcomes – CSU Degree Production

- Graduation rates at the CSU
- Degree production in high priority disciplines

Strategies to Improve Degree Completion Rates

Presenters:

• Roberta Actenberg (Invited)

Chair, Committee on Education Policy, California State University Board of Trustees

• Dr. Jolene Koester

President, California State University, Northridge

• Dr. Dave Spence

Executive Vice Chancellor and Chief Academic Officer, CSU Chancellor's Office

• Luciano Arce

Student, California State University, Sacramento

• Brandon Jackson

Student, California State University, Sacramento

2:20 p.m. Status Report on Teacher Preparation Programs

Presenters:

• Dr. Margaret Gaston

President and Executive Director, Center for the Future of Teaching and Learning

• Mary V. Sandy

Associate Director, Teacher Education and Public School Programs

2:40 p.m. Status Report on Nursing Programs

Presenter:

• Allison Jones

Assistant Vice Chancellor, Academic Support, CSU Chancellor's Office

• Robyn Nelson, DNSc, RN

Chair, Division of Nursing, California State University, Sacramento

3:00 p.m. Status Report on Student Transfer from the California Community Colleges

- Implementation of SB 1785 (Scott, Chapter 743, Statutes of 2004)
- Implementation of SB 1415 (Brulte, Chapter 737, Statutes of 2004)
- Elimination of The California Articulation Number System (CAN)

Presenters:

• Anthony Simbol

Legislative Analyst's Office

Dr. Keith Boyum

Associate Vice Chancellor, Academic Affairs, California State University Chancellor's Office

• Dr. Rosa Perez

President, Cañada College

3:30 p.m. Public Comment

3:45 p.m. Conclusions

4:00 p.m. Adjournment